

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
AUSTIN DIVISION

FREEDOM FROM RELIGION	§	
FOUNDATION, INC.,	§	
<i>Plaintiff,</i>	§	
	§	
v.	§	No. 1:16-cv-00233-SS
	§	
GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT AND ROD	§	
WELSH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF	§	
TEXAS STATE PRESERVATION BOARD,	§	
<i>Defendants.</i>	§	

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**UNOPPOSED MOTION TO WITHDRAW COUNSEL**

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Defendants file this Unopposed Motion to Withdraw Anne Marie Mackin as Counsel in the above-styled case, and show as follows:

1. Assistant Attorney General Anne Marie Mackin has been acting as counsel for Defendants in the above-captioned cause.
2. There is good cause to withdraw Ms. Mackin as counsel for Defendants, because she has accepted a position outside the Office of the Attorney General of Texas.
3. Assistant Attorney General Benjamin S. Walton has entered his appearance for Defendants in this cause. Mr. Walton may be contacted at the Office of the Attorney General, P.O. Box 12548, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2548.
4. The withdrawal will not delay these proceedings.

For the foregoing reasons, Defendants respectfully request that the Court grant this motion to withdraw Assistant Attorney General Anne Marie Mackin as counsel in the above-captioned cause.

Respectfully submitted.

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**CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE**

I certify that I conferred with counsel for Plaintiff regarding the contents of this motion, and counsel indicated that he does not oppose the relief sought herein.

/s/ Anne Marie Mackin  
ANNE MARIE MACKIN  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on October 24, 2018, the foregoing instrument was filed electronically via the Court's CM/ECF system, causing electronic service upon all counsel of record.

/s/ Anne Marie Mackin  
ANNE MARIE MACKIN  
Assistant Attorney General